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KPA Supreme Command Report

SUPREME COMMANDER OF KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY Orders All Units of the People's Army and All Members of the Worker-Peasant Red Guards and Red Young Guards to Take Their Posts in Combat Readiness

Follows the report of the Supreme Command of the Korean People's Army published on August 19:

As already reported, the US imperialist aggressors who are making a desperate attempt to start a new war in Korea committed a grave provocative act against our side in the joint security area at Panmunjom on August 18.

Around 10:45 a.m., August 18, the US imperialist aggressors sent 14 bandits carrying axes to fell a tree at random in the joint security area.

In connection with this act of the enemy, four personnel of our side went to the spot and repeatedly told them that the tree must not be cut down arbitrarily but an agreement be reached between the two sides before felling it as it is a tree in the joint security area controlled by us.

But the enemy side, far from complying with our just demand, collectively pounced, brandishing lethal weapons, upon the security personnel of our side, counting on its numerical superiority, and committed the outrageous provocative act of violence against our security personnel.

This reckless provocation of the enemy compelled our security personnel to take a step in self-defence. Thus, a free-for-all fight took place between the two sides, injuring personnel of both sides.

This is a stark fact. But the US side is raising a war racket on a big scale, resorting to fabrications with the allegation that our side provoked it.

Such grave provocative act committed by the US side in the joint security area of Panmunjom is a premeditated act to start a war.

This was made plain by the slanders and calumnies hurled against us by such bosses of US imperialism as Ford and Kissinger and the south Korean puppets immediately after the US imperialists committed the provocation.

No sooner had this incident occurred than our side requested the convocation of a security officers meeting, considering that it should be discussed first at this meeting as it took place in the joint security area.

But, the US side, refusing this just request of ours, unwarrantedly insisted on having a meeting of the Military Armistice Commission first.

The US imperialist aggressors sent an ultimatum-style notice to our side and, at the same time, took a combat posture by issuing an emergency order of alert to their units occupying south Korea.

This is the prelude to the war adventure that the US imperialist aggressors may perpetrate.

In face of such reckless war clamours of the US imperialists, **the Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army ordered all the KPA units and the entire members of the Worker-Peasant Red Guards and Red Young Guards to take their posts in combat readiness.**

We do not want to provoke others first but will never allow the enemy to provoke us first.

The US imperialists must look squarely at the reality and act with discretion.

If the US imperialists dare start a war in defiance of our stern warning, they will be unable to escape a crushing blow.

STATEMENT of Korean Central News Agency

As already reported, the US imperialist aggressors running wild to start a new war of aggression in Korea committed a grave provocation against our side in the joint security area of Panmunjom on August 18.

Around 10 hours 45 minutes on the morning of August 18, the US imperialist aggressors suddenly called out 14 bandits carrying axes and lethal weapons to fell a tree at random in the joint security area.

The tree was planted and tended with much care by our side for a long time.

Seeing the act of the enemy, 4 security personnel of our side went to the spot and repeatedly told the enemy that the tree must not be felled arbitrarily without a prior consultation with our side as the tree is controlled by our side.

The enemy who came out with the aim of committing a provocation from the outset, far from complying with the just demand of our side, committed the unbearable insulting act of hurling invectives and spitting at the security personnel of our side, counting on his numerical superiority, and collectively pounced upon at last and beat security personnel of our side, and injured them by throwing an axe.

This critical situation compelled the security personnel of our side to take a step in self-defence.

The security personnel of our side put up a death-defying resistance against the enemy, throwing back the axe hurled by the enemy.

When things developed in this way, the enemy reinforced his force with more than 30 hooligans he had kept waiting in advance.

In this incident provoked by the enemy 5 security personnel of our side were wounded heavily or lightly.

This is the truth of the incident. This notwithstanding, now the US imperialists and their lackeys are distorting the fact to make it appear that our side caused the incident, carrying axes. But this can fool no one. The axe used by the enemy when a free-for-all took place is now in our hands. It is an axe of Austrian make used in the US army units.

The attempt of the US imperialist aggressors to shift the responsibility on to our side after openly committing a provocation in the joint security area in broad daylight, self-exposes that they had plotted this incident in a planned manner to find a pretext for starting a war.

As has already been ascertained, this is crystal clear from the fact that while this incident was taking place, the assistant security officer of the US army, the US duty officer and a captain of the south Korean puppet army directly commanded it, watching the scene, on hill No. 3 opposite Panmunjom, having made even preparations for photographing it, and more than 100 heavily armed military personnel were waiting in three trucks behind them.

That the US imperialists provoked the incident under a premeditated plan was made plain when such highest authorities of the United States as Ford and Kissinger as well as the south Korean puppet clique were all mobilized, as soon as they began the provocative act, in raising simultaneously a large-scale clamour hurling groundless slanders and calumnies against our side and sent an ultimatum-style notice to our side and issued an "order of emergency alert" to the US forces occupying south Korea.

As soon as this incident occurred, we proposed urgently to hold a security officers meeting, considering it natural to deal with it at that meeting first, as it happened in the joint security area.

But the enemy was arrogant enough to refuse this just proposal of ours and came out with a demand for the convocation of a meeting of the Military Armistice Commission, kicking up a frantic row of malignantly vilifying our side, like the thief crying "stop thief!"

We are ready to call a meeting of the Military Armistice Commission at any time after a security officers meeting to make clear the truth of the incident and bar the US side from committing such provocative act again.

Facts make it as plain as noonday to what extent the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique have gone in their reckless and vicious manoeuvres to increase tension in Korea and start a new war.

The Korean Central News Agency is authorized to sternly condemn the brutal provocative outrage of the US imperialists and the south Korean puppet clique against our side as a planned criminal act deliberately committed by them to incite antagonism and hostility and heighten the tension between the north and the south of Korea and lead the situation to the brink of war and as an unpardonable challenge to the Korean people and the world peace-loving people.

We strongly hold that the US imperialist aggressors must severely punish the prime movers who planned and provoked the incident and criminals involved in the provocative outrage and take appropriate measures against the recurrence of similar incidents.

The US imperialists and the south Korean puppets must look straight at the reality and act with discretion.

If the US imperialists persist in the reckless acts and provocations in Korea, they will have to bear full responsibility for all the consequences arising therefrom.

August 19, 1976

We Pungently Denounce US Imperialists' Reckless Act of Military Provocation to Open War

The US imperialist aggressors running wild to unleash another war in Korea committed a grave provocative act against our side in the joint security area of Panmunjom.

As already reported, on the morning of August 18 the US imperialist aggression army mobilized more than 10 hooligans carrying axes and committed the brigandish act of felling at random a tree in the joint security area which cannot be disposed of arbitrarily without an agreement between the two sides. Furthermore, they collectively pounced, brandishing lethal weapons, upon security personnel of our side who demanded of them stopping the illegal act and committed an unpardonable act of violence against our security personnel.

The reckless provocation of the enemy compelled our security personnel to take a decisive step in self-defence and thus, a melee took place between the two sides, causing wounded on both of them.

The provocative act of the enemy in the joint security area was by no means an accidental one but an act organised in a premeditated way by the US imperialists to kindle the flame of a war.

Clear proof of this was furnished by the fact that with this incident as an occasion the enemy launched a large-scale anti-DPRK campaign.

Now the US imperialists have set in motion all their propaganda media in threatening and blackmailing us in an unscrupulous way, while issuing an "emergency alert order" to their aggression troops occupying south Korea. On this order the US imperialist aggression troops and the south Korean puppet army are fully armed and in a full combat posture.

In face of the prevailing situation, Comrade Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army ordered the entire officers and men of the People's Army units and members of the Worker-Peasant Red Guards and Red Young Guards to take their posts in combat readiness.

The order of Comrade Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army is a decisive step intended to defend the security of the socialist fatherland and the people and the gains of the revolution from a reckless war of aggression the US imperialists try to ignite.

That the US imperialists committed the deliberate hostile act toward our side in the joint security area of Panmunjom, raised a big anti-DPRK racket and held their posts in a state of full combat readiness, bespeaks that the incident is a premeditated provocative act carefully prepared to put into effect their new war provocation manoeuvres against us.

Today the US imperialists are massing their armed forces in south Korea, reinforcing their military equipment, concentrating nuclear weapons and guided missiles capable of carrying nuclear warheads in the area along the Military Demarcation Line and going ahead with war exercises after perfecting combat preparedness.

The US imperialist brigands went so far as to define the "forestalling attack" and "blitz warfare" as their tactics, work out "five-day operation plan" and "nine-day operation plan" and are now watching for a chance to invade the northern half of our Republic at a breath.

This is clearly borne out by the fact that 400,000 US troops and puppet army who carry ammunition far greater than the fixed amount for combat action and have made full combat readiness are taking the position of attack in the area along the Military Demarcation Line.

The provocation committed by the US imperialists this time in the joint security area of Panmunjom is a link in the whole chains of these manoeuvres and their most vicious expression.

This shows that the US imperialists' manoeuvres to start a new war in Korea have entered an extremely reckless stage, a stage of directly kindling the blasting fuse of war.

We brand the US imperialists' provocation as an intolerable challenge to our people and the world peaceloving people who eagerly desire peace in Korea and her peaceful reunification and resolutely condemn and denounce it in the name of the nation.

The US imperialists, clamouring that the incident in the joint security area of Panmunjom is the gravest one since the "Pueblo" incident and the "EC-121" incident, are foolishly trying to shift responsibility for it on to us.

This is a brigandish assertion like a thief crying "stop thief".

Did we tow the "Pueblo" from the coastal waters of the United States and down the "EC-121" in the air space above the United States?

The US imperialists' armed spy ship "Pueblo" and their large spy plane "EC-121" were meted out well-deserved punishment in self-defence actions of our side while committing hostile acts after intruding into the territorial waters and air space of our country.

By their robber-like allegation the US imperialists only confess to their being the very author of the latest incident, too.

It is not without reason that the US imperialist aggressors, after committing the premeditated and organised provocation against our side in the joint security area, are trying to shift the blame for it on to the other, taking one adventurous military step after another and kicking up an allout "anti-communist" row full of lies and deception.

Now the US imperialists are utterly isolated and cold-shouldered within and without and find themselves in still worse straits.

The voice of the world people opposing and repudiating the US imperialists' aggression and new war provocation manoeuvres against the Korean people is ringing louder each day and their demand for the withdrawal of the US imperialist aggression troops from south Korea has become an irresistible trend.

The unanimous support of the governments and peoples of the world peaceloving countries to the statement of the DPRK Government dated August 5 concerning the critical situation created by the new war provocation manoeuvres of the US imperialists and their stooges, the strong voice of solidarity for the Korean people's cause of independent and peaceful reunification coming from the Fifth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries and the proposal of over 20 UN member states for the debate at the 31st UN General Assembly of the agenda item "On removing the danger of war and maintaining and consolidating peace in Korea and accelerating the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea" —these have dealt a hard blow to the US imperialists trying to attain their aggressive designs on the whole of Korea and Asia by starting a new war with south Korea as their colony and military base, their military strategic strongpoint, and precipitated the total bankruptcy of their policies of aggression and war.

After committing this grave provocation in the joint security area, the US imperialists have embarked upon the road of war adventures with it as a pretext. This is a prearranged and organized move to bridge over their crisis by means of war, maintain the colonial military fascist rule in south Korea and to realize at all costs their wild desire to dominate Asia and the world.

With nothing can the US imperialist aggressors cover up the truth of the provocative act they committed this time and the frantic campaign of war provocation they have launched with it as an occasion or ever evade the responsibility for it. After perpetrating the provocation themselves the US imperialist aggressors are trying to lay the blame at our door. But this only discloses the brigandish nature of US imperialism unparalleled in shamelessness.

The responsibility for the provocation rests with US imperialism, the very author.

We do not want war but are never afraid of it.

If the enemy dare bring on war, lending a deaf ear to our stern warnings, we will all rise up and answer it with a just war and wipe out the aggressors to the last man.

The US imperialists must take a prudent approach to this unswerving stand and rock-firm determination of the Korean people and refrain from running riot.

It is a hard historic fact and an immovable law that a war of aggression always ends in the defeat of the imperialists who provoke it.

All the People's Army units, Worker-Peasant Red Guardsmen, Red Young Guardsmen and the entire people are now vigilantly watching every move of the enemy and are in all combat readiness to thoroughly smash the enemy's invasion, upholding the combat order of Comrade Supreme Commander.

The US imperialist aggressors have been the deadly enemy of the Korean people for over 100 years and the most vicious aggressors who are bent on occupying the whole of Korea and turning it into a colonial dependency.

If US imperialism starts again a war in our inviolable land and dares pounce upon us, the entire officers and men of the Korean People's Army and people, boundlessly loyal to respected and beloved Comrade Supreme Commander, will deal a hundred-fold, a thousand-fold retaliatory blow to the aggressors and inflict a more miserable death on them.

We firmly believe that the world peaceloving countries and peoples will extend more active support and encouragement to the just struggle of the Korean people for curbing and smashing the reckless manoeuvre of US imperialism to start a new war of aggression in Korea and achieving the country's independent and peaceful reunification.

President of Uganda, Former OAU Chairman, Fully Supports Self-Defence Measure Taken by Security Personnel of Our Side to Counter Grave Provocation of US Imperialist Aggressor Troops

According to a report, Idi Amin Dada, President of Uganda and former Chairman of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), in his talk with our Ambassador in Kampala on August 18, scathingly denounced the grave provocation which the US imperialist aggressor troops running wild to start a new war of aggression in Korea committed against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in the join. security area of Panmunjom on the 18th and expressed full support to the self-defence measure taken by the security personnel of our side against the reckless provocation of the enemy.

He stressed:

I consider the action of the soldiers of the Korean People's Army fully justified and support it.

I castigate the provocative acts of the imperialists in Southeast Asia and Korea.

I would like to extend my thanks for all the undertakings of the respected and beloved leader President Kim Il Sung and the Korean people and support them in their entirety.

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The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung poses with children of Head of State of the Republic of Mali in commemoration of their visit to our country

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Visits Guest House Where Children of Head of State of Republic of Mali Are Staying

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, together with his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae, visited on the 12th the guest house where Sekou Bougadari Traore and Foune Traore, children of Head of State of the Republic of Mali His Excellency Moussa Traore, were staying during their visit to our country.

At the guest house the great leader looked after the life of the children of the Head of State down to details with the tender affection of a real father, had a cordial conversation and posed for a photograph with them.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives New Ambassador of Democratic Cambodia to DPRK

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on August 12 received Sim Son, new Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Democratic Cambodia to the DPRK.

Present on the occasion was Chon Myong Su, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a conversation with the ambassador in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Sends Gift to Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung sent as a gift the Korean technicolor documentary "Visit of His Excellency Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, to our country" to Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

According to a report from Islamabad, Chang Hak Myong, DPRK Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Pakistan, on August 6 courteously conveyed the gift of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung to the Prime Minister of Pakistan in Islamabad.

The Prime Minister expressed deep thanks from the bottom of his heart for the precious gift of the great leader.

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His Excellency Seretse Khama, President of Republic of Botswana, Leaves Pyongyang upon Completion of His Itinerary in DPRK

His Excellency Seretse Khama, President of the Republic of Botswana, and his wife who had paid a state visit to our country on August 9 at the invitation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, left Pyongyang by special plane on August 13 upon the conclusion of his itinerary.

The entourage of the President also left here.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung together with his wife was present at the airport to see off the President and his wife.

Set up with due respect at the airport were a portrait of the great leader of our Party and our people Comrade Kim Il Sung and a portrait of His Excellency Seretse Khama, President of the Republic of Botswana.

Floating high in the sky over the airport were big balloons ribboned with streamers bearing the words "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live His Excellency President Seretse Khama!" and with the national flags of Korea and Botswana.

Visible at the airport were the slogans "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" "Long live His Excellency President Seretse Khama!" "Long live the friendship and solidarity between the Korean and Botswana peoples!" "Let us unite with the world people advocating independence!" "The Non-Alignment is a powerful anti-imperialist revolutionary force of our times!" and "Hearty farewell to His Excellency President Seretse Khama!"

In the company of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, His Excellency President Seretse Khama came out to the airport to the strains of the welcome music and reviewed a guard of honour of the three services of the Korean People's Army.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and His Excellency President Seretse Khama exchanged a handshake at parting.

Among those present at the airport to see off the guests were Comrade Kang Ryang Uk, Comrade Pak Sung Chul and his wife, Comrade Chong Jun Gi, Comrade Kong Jin Tae, Chairman Hwang Jang Yop of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, chairmen of committees and ministers of the Administration Council, leading functionaries of working people's organizations and Pyongyang city organs of power, generals of the Korean People's Army and leading functionaries in the fields of science, education, culture, arts and the press.

Also on hand were foreign diplomatic envoys and their wives in Pyongyang.

During the sojourn of the guests in our country, an exclusive talk was held in Pyongyang on August 11 between the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the DPRK, and His Excellency Seretse Khama, President of the RB.

At the talk views were exchanged on a series of questions of common concern.

It proceeded in a sincere and friendly atmosphere.

That day the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung gave a luncheon in honour of His Excellency President Seretse Khama and his wife.

On hand were Comrade Pak Sung Chul and his wife.

The luncheon proceeded in a cordial atmosphere.

A grand Pyongyang mass meeting was held at the Pyongyang Gymnasium on August 12 to welcome His Excellency Seretse Khama, President of the Republic of Botswana, on a state visit to our country.

The great leader of our Party and our people Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife attended the meeting in company with His Excellency President Seretse Khama and his wife.

Put with due respect on the platform were a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and a portrait of His Excellency Seretse Khama, President of the Republic of Botswana.

Seen in the meeting place were the slogans "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live His Excellency President Seretse Khama!"

When the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung appeared on the platform at 5 p.m. in company with His Excellency President Seretse Khama to the strains of the welcome music, the attendants warmly welcomed them with stormy cheers of "manse!" (hurrah) and thunderous applause.

The entourage of President Seretse Khama took their seats on the platform.

The platform party included Comrade Kang Ryang Uk, Comrade Pak Sung Chul and his wife, Comrade Chong Jun Gi, Comrade Kong Jin Tae, Chairman Hwang Jang Yop of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly and other cadres.

The meeting was attended by a large number of working people in the city and leading personages of Party and government bodies and working people's organizations, generals of the Korean People's Army and leading personnel from scientific, educational, cultural, art and press circles.

Foreign diplomatic envoys in Pyongyang were invited to the meeting.

The band struck up the national anthem of the Republic of Botswana and the Patriotic Song of our country when the meeting was declared open.

Chairman of the Pyongyang City People's Committee Kang Hyon Su made a welcome address.

Concluding his address he presented His Excellency President Seretse Khama with a silk banner in the name of the mass meeting.

His Excellency President Seretse Khama spoke next.

Concluding his speech, he wished respected President Kim Il Sung a long life and good health.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung shook hands with His Excellency President Seretse Khama when the latter returned to his seat after the speech.

The mass meeting closed with the performance of the Patriotic Song of our country and the national anthem of the Republic of Botswana.

His Excellency President Seretse Khama and his wife saw the mass gymnastic display "Under the Banner of Great Juche" performed by the students and children of Pyongyang at the Moranbong Stadium on August 11.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife saw the mass gymnastic display with them.

When the mass gymnastic display was over, the performers and spectators sent up the cheers of "manse!"

Their cheers became more enthusiastic when the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and His Excellency President Seretse Khama raised high their clasped hands to express the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of the two countries.

Earlier, on the evening of August 10, the revolutionary opera "The Song of Kumgang-san Mountain" was put on the stage at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre in honour of President Seretse Khama and his wife.

His Excellency President Seretse Khama, his wife and his entourage visited on August 12 historic Mangyongdae where the deep root of the Korean revolution grew.

The guests looked around the native home in Mangyongdae and faced a camera in the front of the house.

Then they climbed up the Mangyong-bong hill to see the studying site, wrestling place and other revolutionary historic sites.

During their stay in our country, His Excellency President Seretse Khama, his wife and his entourage inspected the Exhibition of the Three Revolutions, the Pyongyang Metro, the Kumsong Tractor Plant, the Chongsan Cooperative Farm, the National Economy Institute and the Pyongyang Students and Children's Palace.

They were accompanied by Comrade Pak Sung Chul, his wife, Comrade Chong Jun Gi and personages concerned.

On the other hand, the wife of His Excellency President Seretse Khama visited the Pyongyang September 15 Week Nursery and the Korean Art Gallery.

TELEGRAMS

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message to **Marien Ngouabi**, President of the People's Republic of the Congo, greeting the 13th anniversary of the victory of the August Revolution, the national holiday of the Congolese people.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the DPRK, and Comrade **Pak Sung Chul**, Premier of the Administration Council of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to Comrade **Y. Tsedenbal**, First Secretary of the CC of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party and President of the Presidium of the Grand People's Hural of the Mongolian People's Republic, and Comrade **Z. Batmunkh**, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the MPR, on the 55th anniversary of the Mongolian people's revolution and received a reply telegram from them.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of condolence to **Didier Ratsiraka**, President of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, upon learning the sad news of the death of Prime Minister Joel Rakotomalala and several other dignitaries by an unexpected accident in the DRM.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message to **Seyni Kountche**, Chairman of the Supreme Military Council, Head of State and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Niger, greeting the 16th anniversary of the independence of Niger.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message to **Benjamin Henry Sheares**, President of the Republic of Singapore, greeting the 11th anniversary of the independence of Singapore.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Kristjan Eldjarn** on his reassumption of office as President of the Republic of Iceland.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received messages of greetings from **Hafez Al Assad**, President of the Syrian Arab Republic; Comrade **Salem Rubaya Ali**, Chairman of the Presidential Council of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen; **Ahmed Hassan al-Bakr**, President of the Republic of Iraq; **Mohamed Siad Barre**, General Secretary of the CC of the Somali Socialist Revolutionary Party; **Didier Ratsiraka**, President of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar; **Marien Ngouabi**, President of the People's Republic of the Congo; and **Ibrahim Muhammed Al Hamdi**, Chairman of the Command Council and General Commander of the Armed Forces of the Yemen Arab Republic; on the occasion of the 23rd anniversary of the victory of our people in the Fatherland Liberation War.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK and President of the DPRK, received a message from **Mohamed Siad Barre** in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter upon his election as General Secretary of the Central Committee of the newly founded Somali Socialist Revolutionary Party and President and Prime Minister of the Government of the Somali Democratic Republic.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message of greetings from **Gaafar Mohamed Nimeri**, President of the Democratic Republic of Sudan, on the occasion of the Month of Anti-US Joint Struggle and the 23rd anniversary of the victory of our people in the Fatherland Liberation War.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Ibrahim Nasir**, President of the Republic of Maldives, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the 11th anniversary of the independence of Maldives.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the DPRK, and Comrade **Pak Sung Chul**, Premier of the DPRK Administration Council, received a message from Comrade **Edward Gierek**, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Polish United Workers' Party; Comrade **Henryk Jablonski**, President of the State Council of the Polish People's Republic and Comrade **Piotr Jaroszewics**, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Polish People's Republic, in reply to their message of greetings sent to the latter on the 32nd anniversary of the resurrection of Poland.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Houari Boumedienne**, President of the Council of Revolution and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Algerian Democratic and People's Republic, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the 14th anniversary of the independence of Algeria.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message of greetings from **Teferi Benti**, Chairman of the Provisional Military Administrative Council of Socialist Ethiopia and Prime Minister, on the 23rd anniversary of the victory in our Fatherland Liberation War.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK and President of the DPRK, received a message of greetings from **Manuel Pinto Da Costa**, General Secretary of the Movement for Liberation of Sao Tome and Principe and President of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, on the occasion of the Month of Anti-US Joint Struggle.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Mohammed Anwar El Sadat**, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the 24th anniversary of July 23 Revolution.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Antonio Ramalho Eanes**, President of the Republic of Portugal, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter upon his installation as President of the Republic of Portugal.

DPRK Delegation Will Strive to Realise the Noble Goal and Idea of the Non-Alignment at the Colombo Summit

DPRK Delegation Arrives in Colombo and Issues Statement

The delegation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea headed by Comrade Pak Sung Chul, Premier of the Administration Council, arrived in Colombo, capital of Sri Lanka, by special plane on the afternoon of August 14 to attend the Fifth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries.

A welcome ceremony was held at the airport in honour of DPRK delegation.

After the Patriotic Song of our country and the national anthem of Sri Lanka were played, Comrade Pak Sung Chul reviewed a guard of honour.

Comrade Pak Sung Chul was met at the airport by Sirima R.D. Bandaranaike, Prime Minister of the Republic of Sri Lanka.

Also greeting the delegation were Comrade Ho Dam, Vice-Premier of the DPRK Administration Council and Foreign Minister, who was attending the meeting of foreign ministers preceding the Fifth Summit and members of the delegation who had arrived in Colombo earlier, and Yu Song Jin, DPRK Ambassador to Sri Lanka.

Diplomatic envoys of various countries in the Republic of Sri Lanka and journalists of many countries who had come to cover the Summit Conference were present.

Comrade Pak Sung Chul made a statement at the airport.

He said:

Allow me, first of all, to extend warm friendly greetings to the Government and people of the Republic of Sri Lanka, setting foot on beautiful Sri Lanka, the state of pearl island.

We are very happy to have the first opportunity of attending a Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries as a member of the Non-Alignment and contributing to discussion of pressing international problems awaiting an earlier solution at the present juncture with the state and government leaders of various countries and making joint efforts with them for the strengthening and development of the Non-Alignment.

The current Summit will be a conference of very great significance in the development of the Non-Alignment in light of its scale and the importance of the questions placed on its agenda.

Now all the progressive peoples of the world, not to speak of the non-aligned countries, show keen interest in the Fifth Summit and wish it great success.

The Fifth Summit is confronted with the task of rendering a more effective assistance to the struggle of the peoples against imperialism and colonialism and for freedom and liberation, national independence and social progress and taking positive steps and practical measures designed to destroy the old international economic order which has been a lever of exploitation by the imperialists and establishing a new international economic order.

I hope that all the member states of the Non-Alignment, united closer under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence, would frustrate all the manoeuvres of the imperialists to bar the advance of the Non-Alignment and make the Colombo Summit a historic conference marking a new milestone in the development of the Non-Alignment.

The DPRK delegation will strive to realise the noble goal and idea of the Non-Alignment at the Colombo Summit.

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In the morning of August 15, Comrade Pak Sung Chul met Josip Broz Tito, President of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, who came to Colombo to attend the Fifth Summit.

The Premier reverently conveyed to the Yugoslav President best regards from the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his personal letter.

The President inquired for the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's health and said: I wish to express my special thanks to respected President Kim Il Sung for his words of greetings and precious personal letter.

He asked the Premier to convey his best regards to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Comrade Pak Sung Chul had a talk with President Josip Broz Tito in a friendly atmosphere.

In the afternoon of August 15, the DPRK Premier also met Comrade Pham Van Dong, Premier of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, now staying in Colombo to attend the Fifth Summit.

He conversed with the Viet Nam Premier in a friendly atmosphere.

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DENOUNCE S. KOREAN PUPPET CLIQUE FOR SAVAGELY SUPPRESSING DEMOCRATS AND PATRIOTIC-MINDED PEOPLE AND STUBBORNLY OPPOSING KOREA'S REUNIFICATION

"Emergency International Conference on Korea" Held in Tokyo with Success

The "Emergency International Conference on Korea" was held with success between August 12 and 14 at the Nogyo Hall in Tokyo, according to a report.

The conference was attended by representatives of various countries and region—Japan, Thailand, Hongkong, Malaysia, Algeria, Kenya, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, West Germany, France, Britain, Canada and the United States—and south Korean representatives working at overseas organizations of the "National Congress for the Restoration of Democracy in South Korea and the Promotion of Unification" ("Hanmintong"), more than 60 in all.

It was also attended by over 200 observers.

The three-day conference heard reports and speeches on the following four agenda items:

1. **Tyranny and the resistance movement against it in south Korea.**
2. **The struggle of the third world and the struggle for democracy in south Korea.**
3. **The struggle in the third world and the "advanced countries".**
4. **Reunification of north and south Korea, our future and formation of presidium.**

Representatives who delivered reports and contributed to discussion were unanimous in denouncing indignantly the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's brutal suppression of people and violation of human rights, fully exposed and vehemently condemned the US imperialists and the Japanese reactionaries for zealously encouraging the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

The reporters and speakers brought to light the unpardonable criminal acts of the US imperialists in seeking permanent split of Korea, clinging to the criminal "two Koreas" plot, and stressed that if genuine peace is to be realized in Korea above all the US imperialist aggression troops must be driven out of south Korea.

They said that only when the interference of the US imperialists and all other outside forces in south Korea is brought to an end and Korea's reunification is achieved, can the south Korean democrats and patriotic people who are suffering under the fascist rule of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique take back genuine human rights. To this end, they stressed, the peaceloving people of the world should focus all their attention on Korea and wage an indefatigable struggle supporting the Korean people till the cause of national reunification is realized.

Utsunomiya Tokuma, Liberal Democratic Member of the House of Representatives of Japan, Kim Jae Hwa, Acting Chairman of the Japan Headquarters of "Hanmintong", Matsui Hisagichi, Representative of the Outcast Settlement Liberation Union, and Asukata Ichio, Mayor of Yokohama, attended the conference and made congratulatory speeches.

Sixty-five congratulatory messages from Minobe Ryokichi, Governor of Tokyo, and leading personages of local self-government bodies of Japan, political figures and from various countries of the world were read out at the conference. A congratulatory message from the wife of Kim Dae Jung was also introduced at the conference.

A "resolution on the Korean issue" was unanimously adopted at the closing meeting held on August 14.

The resolution will be sent to the Fifth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries, governments of all countries and the Secretary General of the United Nations.

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Pak "Regime" Works for Its Permanent Stay in Power, Deceiving People with Lies, Fabrications and Tricks, Putting Down Their Will with Blackmail, Suppression and Murder

Report Made by Permanent Adviser to Japan Headquarters of "Hanmintong" on "Tyranny and Resistance Movement against It in South Korea", First Agenda Item (Gist)

The Korean Peninsula is now in a very grave situation.

A proper solution of the Korean question is getting more urgent than ever.

1. Deadlock of North-South Dialogue Intended for Peaceful Solution of Reunification Question

Our country's reunification belongs to a question of terminating the tragic split of the nation which was caused by the other's will. It is a question of reunifying into one the nation and territory either of which was one, to start with, and can never be "two". This question is not confined to the interests of an individual, a political party, a faction or a stratum of the people in our country, but affects the destiny of the whole nation of 50 million. Hence, this is the greatest task of our nation in the literal sense of term.

The Korean question is directly linked to peace in Asia and the rest of the world. Therefore, it is a serious matter of world-wide concern.

Our nation has made all efforts for reunification ever since national division. In this course the thaw set in in the frozen relations between the north and the south, thereby paving the way for the dialogue, after an interval of 27 years that followed the territorial partition. And the North-South Joint Statement was made public on July 4, 1972.

The three principles of national reunification clarified in the Joint Statement—independence, peaceful reunification and great national unity— were warmly supported by all the nation.

The north-south dialogue was conducted with great expectations from the whole nation and keen world-wide attention. However, none of the problems in relation to reunification has been solved through dialogue.

It has become obvious that the Pak Jung Hi "regime" has neither the capacity to reunify the country nor the intention to do so.

The reporter roundly exposed the crimes committed by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who, in flagrant violation of the North-South Joint Statement, did everything to reinforce the "revitalized" dictatorship, thus going headlong toward split.

He went on:

One has to dialogue and cooperate with the Communists, whether he likes it or not. Without this the peaceful national reunification is infeasible.

The dialogue with the north means a dialogue with the Communists. The north-south dialogue started and the Joint Statement specifying the need to reunify the country through negotiation was signed and made public, as the existence of communism itself was recognized.

A peaceful solution of the reunification question cannot be attained by crying for "domination over communism" or "annihilation of communism" or by inciting "confrontation".

It does not mean scrambling for victory in the competition between the north and the south. Accordingly, it can never be solved through the annexation of the other by the north or by the south or by one side imposing its idea and system upon the other.

But the Pak Jung Hi "regime" enforced the "October revitalization", a system of tyrannical dictatorship, and then issued a "special statement" on June 23, 1973, openly announcing a "two-Korea policy". All these were done by leaving the people without a wee bit freedom of seeing, hearing and speaking.

The keynote of the "June 23 special statement" is the freezing of split as it is now and simultaneous entry of north and south Korea to the UN. By "freezing the status quo" it is meant to keep tension in Korea indefinitely—in the country which is in a state of armistice and where the north and the south stand in confrontation with each other with weapons in hands. By "simultaneous entry into the UN" it is meant to bring our country to win an international recognition as the two states, one in the north and the other in the south, and make the freezing of split a fait accompli. This is clear to all.

Ours is a single state whose territory stretches from the north to the south and which has the population of 50 million. We, therefore, can never allow anyone to split the country into the two by whatever sophistry and cunning tricks.

These days Pak Jung Hi has openly prattled that the "tragedy of unification will be greater than that of split" and that the "matter of our concern is not so much unification as freezing of peace". This is a patent evidence that he has no intention to reunify the country.

The north-south dialogue for national reunification became virtually meaningless in the aftermath of the "June 23 special statement". The north also declared that there is no need to carry on dialogue for split.

At present the north-south dialogue is kept going on only nominally. But dialogue for the country's peaceful reunification is virtually in a state of rupture.

Nevertheless, the Pak Jung Hi "regime" is running to an extreme in inciting north-south "confrontation" and "showdown".

Under the pretext of the "threat of southward aggression" from the north the Pak "regime" is creating a horror-ridden atmosphere. It is racing headlong toward a "showdown" with the north under the slogans of "national consensus", "build-up of national strength" and "all-out security", having reduced the whole of south Korea to a lawless land where tyranny rules supreme.

2. Bloody Suppression and Acute Political Crisis in South Korea

One of the vicious acts against the people and nation committed by the Pak Jung Hi "regime" behind the scenes of the north-south dialogue is the establishment of a system of infernal dictatorship for its long-term office.

Pak Jung Hi usurped power through a military coup at the time when the masses of the people were out calling for democracy and the trend to peaceful reunification was growing after the April 19 Popular Uprising.

Since then he has left no means untried—the brazenfaced deception, brutal suppression and crafty tricks, the like of which is rare in history through all the ages—in a frantic attempt to maintain power.

The "revitalized system" of the Pak Jung Hi "regime" is, no doubt, a "generalissimo system". This can be explained by its power structure.

The reporter, citing concrete examples, dwelt on the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's desperate moves to stay in power indefinitely and on the fact that all the democratic rights of the people were stamped out and the terror campaign was launched in south Korea.

He said:

The Pak Jung Hi "regime" has worked for its permanent stay in power, deceiving the people with lies, fabrications and tricks, putting down their will with blackmail, suppression and murder. But it has only increased the social unrest, confusion and crisis.

The south Korean people's discontent found nourishment under the "revitalized" dictatorship. Their feelings of resistance now arise to crescendo.

The Pak Jung Hi "regime" which betrays the people and invites the curses and resistance of the whole nation is always faced with serious crisis. Yet, it is still prolonging its days and lording it over the people, because it has the support of outside forces.

The US government, among others, is playing the role of big pillars in bolstering up the unstable Pak Jung Hi "regime". And the Japanese government is performing the role of secondary pillars in propping up the tottering Pak Jung Hi "regime". We do not know the exact reason why the US and Japan continue to give "aid" to such a pack of the meanest hooligans as the Pak "regime" which is now in a hopeless situation, completely isolated from the people.

The aid to the "regime" of despotic dictatorship is tantamount to supporting and encouraging the violation of the human rights and the unheard-of savage oppression. It will result in stirring up the anti-US, anti-Japanese sentiments among the people in that country.

3. Danger of Another War in Korean Peninsula

Pak Jung Hi risks even his life in his efforts to "remain in office for a prolonged period". He takes wildcat actions to this end. The Pak Jung Hiites leave no stone unturned for long-term office, for their personal comfort and prosperity, sacrificing even the destiny of the nation and the lives of the people.

The Pak Jung Hi "regime" has stayed in office for the past 15 years mainly by pursuing the policies of military dictatorship and war and by inventing the "threat of southward aggression" to justify these policies.

Data released by the British Strategic Institute show that south Korea has now the "ROK Army" more than 700,000 strong, a standing army holding the fourth place in the world, and the "homeland defense reserve forces" over 3 million strong plus more than 40,000 US troops armed with nuclear weapons.

And yet, the Pak Jung Hi "regime" always raises terrific outcries over the "threat of southward aggression from the north".

In the north-south dialogue, too, it calls for "confrontation" and "competition" while steeping itself in "buildup of strength" with the main stress on the "modernization of the ROK Army". It strikes terror into the minds of the south Korean people and fans their hostility against the people in the north, their fellow countrymen, harping on a fictitious "southward invasion in spring", "southward invasion in summer", "southward invasion in winter", a "full-scale southward invasion", "southward invasion by guerrillas" and "southward invasion under cover of thick verdure".

Various "incidents" and the "threat of southward aggression" loud-mouthed about by the Pak Jung Hi "regime" are all political ruses.

It buckled down to the full-scale war preparations after the enforcement of the "October revitalization", a tyrannical dictatorship. Particularly since the termination of wars in Viet Nam, Cambodia and Laos, it whipped up war hysteria and stepped up war preparations, blaring out that "Seoul will follow Saigon" and the "present-day Korean peninsula is in a state of hostilities".

There is a very great danger of war under the current tension. No one can tell there is no possibility of a fitful ignition of war by such a guy as Pak Jung Hi, called the "most dangerous man".

The prevailing situation shows what a great danger is entailed by war preparations of the Pak Jung Hi "regime" which depends on the support of US and Japan for the maintenance of its remaining days now.

4. Proposal and Tasks for Solution of Korean Question

The elimination of ever-growing danger of another war and its prevention are a matter of the greatest urgency in the endeavours to solve the Korean question nowadays.

It is urgent, above all, to put an end to the arms reinforcement and arms race and check nuclear blackmail, war preparations and other provocative words and acts.

Moreover, it is important to make US troops pull out of south Korea, presupposing the exercise of the national right to self-determination, totally stop the military aid to the Pak Jung Hi "regime" and turn the Korean peninsula into a nuclear-free zone.

Then, the adventurous moves of the Pak Jung Hi "regime" will fail to receive any support anywhere and the actual danger be diminished greatly even if it persists in war provocation manoeuvres.

The basic way of rooting up the war danger and preserving a durable peace in the Korean peninsula is, in the final analysis, to find a peaceful solution to the reunification question. The principles to be observed in a fair and square solution to this problem through dialogue and negotiation were proposed already in the July 4 North-South Joint Statement agreed upon by the north and the south. It clarified the three principles—independence, peaceful reunification and great national unity.

Its validity was confirmed unanimously also at the UN General Assembly, approved by many countries. The failure in putting it into effect is ascribable to the fact that the Pak Jung Hi "regime", a pack of tyrannical dictators and traitors to the nation, has violated the North-South Joint Statement and hampered the observance of the three principles of national reunification.

From this it follows that total destruction of the Pak Jung Hi's setup for despotic dictatorship and the democratization of south Korean society are the masterkey to the solution of the reunification question through the north-south dialogue and negotiation at present.

The immediate general task for restoration of democracy and human rights in south Korea is to overthrow the Pak Jung Hi's "government of generalissimo dictatorship" and establish an all-nation unified government represented by the people of all walks of life.

This task can hardly be fulfilled unless the intervention of the US, Japan and other foreign forces supporting the Pak Jung Hi "regime" is held in check. It is therefore necessary for us to carry on the struggle on two fronts, that is, to bar the assistance of foreign forces to it and overthrow the "revitalized" dictatorial system.

Moreover, it is necessary to increase the voice of justice for the pullout of US troops stationed in south Korea, the biggest among the foreign forces, and check the advance of the Japanese aggressive forces into south Korea.

If this movement for supporting the just struggle of the south Korean people is to prove actually effective, it is essential to expand the ranks of the movement, making it more organized than before.

Availing myself of this historic international conference, I propose that its presidium and all of its attendants form a body, say, "international solidarity committee for the restoration of democracy in south Korea", to give an international support to the just struggle of the south Korean people, and conduct day-to-day activities by setting up its office in Tokyo, Japan, which is nearest to Korea.

In order to expose to the world the despotic dictatorship of Pak Jung Hi and his savage suppression of **the masses, I** also propose that a provisional special **investigation commission** be formed in accordance with a resolution of this international conference and a report worked out and published.

"The Solidarity of the People Will Be Further Expanded to Hasten the Downfall of the South Korean Dictatorial Regime"

Keynote Report Made by Oda Makoto, Secretary General of Executive Committee (Gist)

I would like to start my keynote report with the story about the "Lockheed" payoff scandal. This scandal is shaking the whole of Japanese society to its very foundation.

The scandal has something to do with the Asian and global strategy of the United States. Based on this is the "Lockheed" scandal.

It is hardly possible for the Japanese Public Procurator's Office to investigate this case from such a point of view. If the JPPO is to investigate this matter on a full scale, it should examine economically and politically the whole history of Japan before and after the Second World War. In fact, the 30-year-long postwar history of Japan can be written only within the framework of the US postwar strategy.

Such a consideration of this matter leads to a conclusion that the "Lockheed" payoff scandal essentially concerns the 30-year-long postwar history of Japan. It is not a problem which involves only Kodama, Osano, Sato and Kishi but the problem concerning the political and economic environment. It is a product of 30-year-long postwar history of Japan.

The division of Korea, the postwar political, economic and military situation of south Korea in particular, should be studied in their relations to the Asian strategy of the United States. Japan was able to revive and enjoy "prosperity" within the framework of the US Asian strategy. In contrast, south Korea had to be a victim in the current of the same history. Japan could turn such a relation to good account by taking advantage of the US postwar Asian strategy. First of all, it is crystal clear that the Korean war was a "good chance" for the Japanese economy to start its reconstruction.

Even in the same history based on the same strategy mapped out by the United States, Japan "benefited" and south Korea suffered. Nevertheless, south Korea could not take any other choice to effect a change in this strategy.

A member of the Liberal Democratic Party recently disclosed that the key to the "Lockheed" payoff scandal was to expose the crooked relations between Japan and south Korea. He contributed an article about this to "Sekai", a leading magazine in Japan.

An allout exposure of this scandal will not only endanger the fate of the Liberal Democratic Party, but also offer an opportunity for the Japanese people to review the whole course of their postwar history and the history during and before the period of Japanese colonial rule over Korea.

Meanwhile, the struggle for the restoration of democracy in south Korea is a struggle to criticize and oppose the present Pak Jung Hi dictatorial "regime". In pursuance of their own bigger interests the south Korean rulers are freezing the division, consolidating their corrupt relations with Japan and oppressing the people by force. By doing so they are negating the human rights and are depriving the people of their right to democracy in south Korea. In this sense the struggle against the dictatorial "regime" is a struggle for human rights and a struggle for restoration of democracy, freedom and equality. Judging this struggle in a broader sense, it is a struggle to free south Korea from the yoke of the Asian strategy of the United States so as to realize the independent and peaceful reunification of the country with the aim of taking their future into their own hands.

The resistance movement in south Korea is part of the struggle of the third world for liberation.

In order to associate ourselves with the resistance movement in south Korea we should launch similar movement in Japan which has been under the influence of the US Asian strategy for three decades. In this context, I don't think that our movement will confine itself to giving a mere support. This movement will not confine itself to giving a moral support. Just as the resistance in south Korea our movement will be a showdown with our government. I think that in order to fully discharge our responsibility we should set forth our goals and make every effort to reach them. I hope that this Emergency International Conference will mark one step forward in the process of solidarity with the resistance movement in south Korea. And I don't think that the significance of this Emergency International Conference lies just in the relations between Japan and south Korea.

The significance of this conference is in the relations between the movements in south Korea and in the United States or even between the struggles in the third world and in the "advanced countries". In this point, I think that this Emergency International Conference is a big conference of unique and historic significance because people from the third world and from the "advanced countries" get together to discuss a problem of common concern—the Korean problem.

We should bear in mind that Kim Ji Ha, Kim Dae Jung and many other people are in jail in south Korea. We cannot discuss in abstract terms here.

One of the objectives for the future is the reunification of north and south Korea. In this connection, several important points have to be clarified.

First of all, it is the unique importance of reunifying a divided country. It is also the political importance of achieving the reunification by independent and peaceful measures. And it is the importance of a peace strategy for preserving peace in the whole of Asia and the rest of the world.

It goes without saying that the principle that has to be underlined here is independence. What is indispensable to this goal is the withdrawal of the US troops and south Korea's freedom from the yoke of the Japanese and American aggression, all of which should be realized at the same time.

Then, I will revert to our own questions, the questions of Japanese and Americans. We are going to discuss the question of the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea as our own affair. It is, needless to say, our own affair and, at the same time, an affair of the third world's people and an affair of world-wide concern.

We would like to inform the Conference of Non-Aligned Countries now opened in Colombo of the result of this Conference. And with the same spirit we would like to send a message and resolution to the United Nations.

We think that the Conference of the Non-Aligned Countries and this Conference are based on the same spirit.

We will discuss the question of reunification of north and south Korea.

Two days later the 15th of August will come around. We are going to hold a mass meeting and demonstration on that day.

That day, thirty years ago, Japan was defeated in the Second World War. But many Asian countries including Korea were liberated.

I believe that the demonstration scheduled for that day is necessary for Japan, Asia and the world, yet most important for myself. To this end, I pledge that I will continue my struggle. And I would like to ask all the attendants of the Conference to make active contribution to the discussion.

The solidarity of the people will be further expanded to hasten the downfall of the south Korean dictatorial "regime".

"Support Declaration for Democracy and Nat'l Salvation", "Abolish Revitalized Constitution"

South Korean Churchmen Publish "Second Declaration for Democracy and National Salvation"

Some 60 pastors and presbyters representing the south Korean association of presbyterian churches in South Cholla Province, gathered on August 10 at the Yangrim church in Yangrim-dong, Kwangju, and held a meeting denouncing the puppet clique's fascist crimes, according to foreign press reports from Seoul.

At the meeting they adopted and made public the "second declaration for democracy and national salvation", a statement clarifying their stand and attitude.

Noting that on March 1 in Seoul democrats called for through the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" the abolition of the fascist evil laws and the resignation of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, the statement said: This was an "appeal of conscience" they made by themselves, unable to merely look at the present dark reality of south Korea with folded arms any longer.

The statement vehemently denounced the fascist hangmen for holding murderous trials to inflict harsh penalties upon the democrats on preposterous charges.

The statement stressed: "Support the declaration for democracy and national salvation", "abolish the revitalized constitution", "guarantee freedom of speech" and "guarantee freedom of religious activity".

In the statement the churchmen emphasized that they would "continue to vigorously launch the movement" for carrying through their just demand in defiance of any brutal suppression by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

Scared by the movement against the "government" and fascism and for democracy which is gathering momentum in the teeth of fascist suppression and murderous trials, the Pak Jung Hi clique of military gangsters are frantically intensifying their repression.

The gangsters arrested that day pastor Kang Sin Sok who read the statement at the meeting and 8 others on charges of "violation of the emergency measures", the fascist evil law, arrested one other on the 12th and searched the house of a pastor who signed the said second declaration.

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"Abolish Revitalized Constitution and Emergency Measures, Overthrow South Korean Dictatorial Regime and Establish Democratic Government"

"Hanmintong" Issues Statement in Tokyo

"The National Congress for the Restoration of Democracy in South Korea and the Promotion of Unification" ("Hanmintong") on August 13 held a press conference at the Nogyo Hall in Tokyo where the "Emergency International Conference on Korea" was in session, in connection with the publication of the "second declaration for democracy and national salvation" by south Korean churchmen on August 10.

Present at the press conference were south Koreans residing abroad—Pae Dong Ho (in Japan), permanent adviser of the Japan headquarters of "Hanmintong", Kim Jae Hwa (in Japan), acting chairman of the Japan headquarters of "Hanmintong", composer Yun I Sang (in West Germany), painter Li Hui Se (in France), Sonu Hak Won (in the US), representative of the "South Korean Christian Scholars Association in North America", and Choe Myong Sang (in the US), representative of the Chicago branch of the US headquarters of "Hanmintong".

A statement was made public at the press conference.

Follows the partial text of the statement:

The Pak Jung Hi clique asked for heavy penalties for Kim Dae Jung and other personages involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" and are now hurrying to hold a verdict trial. In the teeth of such terrorism and horror, however, people in south Korea advocating freedom and democracy published on August 10 the "second declaration for democracy and national salvation" in which they demanded, firstly, support to the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" dated March 1, secondly, abolition of the "revitalised constitution", thirdly, guarantee of freedom of speech and fourthly, guarantee of freedom of religious activity.

The Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's criminal act of asking for heavy penalties for Yun Bo Son and Kim Dae Jung virtually means sentencing them to death, and the situation is very serious.

What is more serious, however, is that the Pak Jung Hi "regime" which has been isolated more and more at home and abroad is going ahead with the manoeuvres to provoke a war against north Korea.

This is backed up by the US armed forces with nuclear equipment in south Korea and Japan's economic aggression. We must realise that the Pak Jung Hi fascist dictatorial "regime" is not only the enemy of the south Korean people but also a dangerous existence challenging the Asian people and world peace.

We, representing the south Korean people living abroad, make the following appeal to all countries:

1) The Pak Jung Hi "regime" must stop the illegal trial of Kim Dae Jung, Yun Bo Son and other democratic and patriotic figures involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation", patriotic poet Kim Ji Ha, numerous students, youths, intellectuals and pastor Un Myong Gi and all other patriots involved in the "second declaration for democracy and national salvation" and release them at once.

2) We overseas compatriots harden the determination to fight in solidarity with the people at home till the ruinous "revitalised constitution" and illegal "emergency measures" are abolished, the Pak Jung Hi dictatorial "regime" is overthrown and a democratic government established.

3) We will launch diversified movements for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, strengthen the friendship and solidarity with democrats of various countries of the world supporting this and will never tolerate any manoeuvres of outside forces barring the reunification of our country.

4) We hope that the conscience of the world will launch a vigorous movement to check the war provocation manoeuvres of the Pak Jung Hi "regime" violating human rights and endangering peace and make the US and Japanese governments discontinue their support to that regime.

5) We expect that the "Emergency International Conference on Korea" now in session will work out a concrete line of action to realize the above demands.

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US Must Withdraw at Once Its Aggression Forces from S. Korea in Accordance with Resolution Adopted at 30th UNGA

Fourth AAPSO Standing Committee Meeting Held and Resolution on Korea Adopted

The Fourth Standing Committee Meeting of Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization (AAPSO) was held in Brazzaville from July 27 to 30.

Present at the conference were Youssef El Sebai, AAPSO General Secretary, representatives of member states of AAPSO Standing Committee including our country and organizing representatives of member states of the organization, and representatives of various embattled organizations and international democratic organizations.

Also present were President Marien Ngouabi and high-ranking officials of the People's Republic of the Congo.

The conference discussed a series of important problems. They included: withdrawing the US imperialist aggression troops from south Korea and strengthening solidarity with the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

In his congratulating speech the President of the People's Republic of the Congo extended full support to the Korean people in their struggle to expel the US imperialist aggression troops from south Korea and achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of their country.

Those who took the floor stressed that Korean reunification must be realized in line with the three principles and five-point policy for national reunification put forward by the great leader President Kim Il Sung.

The conference adopted with a unanimous approval a resolution on Korea, a general declaration of the conference and a letter to the Fifth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries.

The resolution on Korea exposed a "two Koreas" plot of US imperialism and Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and their new war provocation manoeuvres, and pointed out:

—Strongly demands that the United States give up its "two Koreas" plot and aggressive design on Korea, immediately withdraw its aggression armed forces from south Korea and accept the proposal of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea which called for replacing the Korean Armistice Agreement with a peace agreement as decided at the 30th Session of the UN General Assembly.

—Sharply denounces the south Korean authorities for their new war provocation manoeuvres and fascist repression of the people and strongly demands an immediate release of all the detained patriotic people.

—Extends full support and solidarity for the struggle of the south Korean people for the democratization of south Korean society and the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

—Strongly holds that Korea's reunification must be achieved in accordance with the three principles and five-point policy of national reunification put forward by President Kim Il Sung of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

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Believers and People of Various Strata in S. Korea Hold Meeting to Support and Encourage Arrested Personages

A meeting for supporting and encouraging those who are suffering in prison was held at the Myongdong church, Seoul, on the 9th, according to a report.

It was attended by the mother of poet Kim Ji Ha, families of those involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" and many believers.

Addressing the meeting, catholic bishop Chi Hak Sun denounced the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's fascist atrocities against democrats and believers of south Korea.

He said that "it is high time for the believers to unite" to smash the plot of the scoundrels to murder the detained persons.

Giving an account of this meeting, the report said that as the mass meeting was held at the Myongdong church where the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" was made public at a time when public attention was focussed on the reaction of the south Korean believers to the brutal act of the fascist bandits who demanded heavy penalties for those involved in the "declaration", it has become "a big topic among the citizens".

According to the report, it was decided at the meeting to hold meetings for supporting the detained personages every day at this church from August 22 to 28 when the decision of the first trial of those involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" would be given. **(KCNA)**

"The DPRK Guided by the Great Leader President KIM IL SUNG's Juche Idea Is a Model of Non-Aligned Countries"

"Seminar on the Non-Alignment and Korean Question" Held in Tokyo with Success

A "seminar on the Non-Alignment and the Korean question" was held in Tokyo on August 13 with the attendance of many Japanese public figures.

It was sponsored by Iwai Akira, representative member of the Japan Committee for Supporting Korea's Independent and Peaceful Reunification, and other public figures of Japan in connection with the convocation of the Fifth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries with the participation of the delegation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Present at the seminar together with promoters were more than 200 Japanese people of various strata.

The seminar was addressed by Hayashi Kaname, professor of Kanto Gakuin University, who was elected chairman of the seminar, and Iwai Akira, representative member of the Japan Committee for Supporting Korea's Independent and Peaceful Reunification, on behalf of the promoters.

Reports were made by critic Kajitani Yoshihisa on the subject "To the UN General Assembly from the Non-Aligned Conference", Fukushima Masao, professor of Waseda University, on the subject "Provisions of the Socialist Constitution of the DPRK on External Relations and the Non-Alignment", Takahashi Takehiko, former Chief Editor of "Mainichi Shimbun", on the subject "Ardent Desire of President Kim Il Sung for North-South Reunification and Non-Aligned Conference" and Kuriki Yasunobu, professor of Senshu University, on the subject "Non-Alignment and Position of the DPRK".

Lively discussion took place at the seminar on the reports.

Ichikawa Makodo, former Chairman of the General Council of Japan Trade Unions, critic Kawagoe Geizo, Takahashi Yuji, professor of Chiba University, and many others who spoke at the seminar were unanimous in referring to the great role played by the Non-Alignment and its important position in the present time. Then they pointed out that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea guided by the great leader President Kim Il Sung's Juche idea is a model of non-aligned countries marching ahead under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence. They stated that the question of Korea's reunification also confronts the Japanese people who cherish peace with the urgent and important task and called upon the broad sections of Japanese people to fight for Korea's independent, peaceful reunification in response to the requirements of the stirring present era.

The seminar adopted a "letter of solidarity to the Korean people" amid thunderous applause of the attendants.

The letter said:

Today we held a "seminar on the Non-Alignment and the Korean question" on the eve of the Fifth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries to be held in Colombo, capital of Sri Lanka.

We, who are attending the seminar, express firm solidarity for the Korean people who are endeavouring for the socialist construction and independent, peaceful reunification of their country under the well-advised leadership of the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people President Kim Il Sung.

Today the Non-Alignment—an independent political force which fights against imperialist and colonialist aggression and for the defence of national independence and sovereignty and world peace under the uplifted banner of independence and self-support—has taken its place on the stage of history.

President Kim Il Sung clearly expounded the nature of the Non-Alignment with these words: **"The non-alignment movement is a mighty anti-imperialist revolutionary force reflecting the main trend of the present era."**

Only when each country discards the flunkeyist idea of relying on big powers, pursues an independent foreign policy in all fields, ideology, politics, economy and national defence, accelerates the construction of the country and strengthens an anti-imperialist united front and anti-imperialist joint struggle, can the third world countries achieve the independent development of the nation and state and play their proper role in the Non-Alignment.

The experiences and signal successes gained by the Korean people in the protracted, arduous struggle on the basis of the Juche idea founded by President Kim Il Sung are a precious example for the world revolution and construction at present, especially for the third world people.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea became an official member of the Non-Alignment with a unanimous approval at the Foreign Ministers' Conference of Non-Aligned Countries held in Lima last year. This was a natural consequence and Korea will play a very great role in the development of the Non-Alignment.

We direct deep attention, together with all the progressive people of the world, to the Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries which will take measures to extend active support to the struggle of the people against imperialists' aggressive and predatory manoeuvres to destroy the countries of new-emerging forces and for freedom, liberation and national independence.

We are convinced that the historic conference which will powerfully demonstrate the united strength of the peoples of non-aligned countries in the struggle for national liberation and freedom, peace and social progress will take up and discuss the urgent question for the reunification of the country, the cherished desire of the Korean nation, and adopt a resolution calling for the withdrawal of all foreign troops from south Korea and the replacement of the Armistice Agreement with a peace agreement and thereby extend greater international support to the Korean people's just struggle.

President Kim Il Sung said on August 9:

"We express the conviction that the governments and peoples of the socialist countries, the non-aligned nations and all the peace-loving countries of the world will pay deep attention to the critical situation created in Korea and take proper measures to check and frustrate the reckless manoeuvres of the new war provokers."

For peace in Japan, Korea, Asia and the world we will wage a powerful movement categorically opposing the new war provocation manoeuvres of the United States and the Pak Jung Hi fascist regime against the DPRK and demanding a U-turn policy of the Japanese government toward Korea.

We will support the North-South Joint Statement based on the three principles for Korea's reunification, oppose the "two Koreas" plot of the United States and its puppets and strongly support and encourage the struggle of the south Korean people for democracy and for national reunification.

We will also support the struggle of the Korean citizens in Japan to defend the democratic, national rights and further strengthen friendship and solidarity with them. We express our best wishes that the Korean people's respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung will enjoy good health and a long life and that the Korean people achieve great victory in their just struggle under the leadership of the President.

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Following the Road of Anti-Imperialism and Independence

★ According to a report from Manila, on August 3 the Foreign Minister of the Philippines declared that the government had decided to retake three bases used by US troops.

He pointed out that the "treaty of defence" with the United States did not conform with the present reality and became out of date.

★ Black people rose again in a fight against the Vorster racist clique in various parts of South Africa.

According to a report, in Soweto, Johannesburg, some 20,000 black people staged a demonstration on August 4 and demanded that the racist authorities release their colleagues arrested in June. There also took place a meeting attended by some 5,000 black students on August 5, at which they strongly demanded the prompt release of the arrested students.

★ According to a report, working people's protest demonstrations were staged to oppose the call of US nuclear vessels in the capital and other cities of New Zealand.

In the meantime, the Labour Party, an opposition party of New Zealand, presented to parliament a bill on prohibiting the call of nuclear weapon-carrying warships at New Zealand ports.

★ Recently, an intergovernmental meeting was held to discuss the policy for the Latin American mass news media in San Jose. It adopted a resolution on founding a Latin American and Caribbean News Agency.

The resolution said that the principal mission of this news agency was to put an end to monopolistic acts of the western capitalist countries' news agencies that were engrossed in false propaganda among Latin-American people.

The attendants at the meeting strongly condemned the imperialist-patronized news media of the United States, Britain and France for trying to paralyse the mentality of Latin-American people.

India Greets 29th Anniv. of Independence Which Opened a Bright Vista for Creation of a New Life

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"The peoples of the overwhelming majority of Asian countries have already won national independence and many peoples are waging courageous struggles against imperialist aggression and for the complete national freedom and the independent development of their countries."

Twenty-nine years have passed since the Indian people achieved the country's independence and embarked on the creation of a new life.

Independence of India was a revolutionary event which made people masters of their destinies, masters of history. From that time the Indian people vigorously set about building a new state along the broad avenue brought about by the country's independence. The diligent and brave Indian people have channelled vast energies and wisdom, creative labour into the fulfilment of the sacred task of liquidating the consequences left behind by colonial rule, consolidating national independence and developing the national economy and culture.

Many coal and ore mines, factories, enterprises, companies and banks have been nationalized and major branches of industry put under state control. Now the government's great efforts are going into expanding the state sector of the economy and raising its role. The government and people put special emphasis on the consolidation of independent foundations of national industry through extensive exploitation and utilization of rich underground resources of the country and on the development of agriculture.

In its external activity the Republic of India is pursuing a policy of Non-Alignment and fighting against all forms of aggression and interference of imperialists and for the promotion of the common cause of the people of new-emerging forces. The Indian Government and people take a stand against the imperialists' plots to turn Diego Garcia Island into their military base and strive to create a peace zone in Indian Ocean.

Our people rejoice over the successes attained by the Indian people in their efforts to consolidate national independence and achieve independent development of the country and support their righteous struggle.

Korea and India are situated in the same continent and two peoples have a long history and a brilliant culture. The relations of friendship between the two countries have long been established. In recent years these relations have been further strengthened and developed. The establishment of diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level in 1973 was a landmark in carrying the relations of friendship and cooperation on to a new, higher stage.

The Indian people feel profound veneration for the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and express their understanding and sympathy to our people's cause of the country's independent and peaceful reunification.

We take pride in having the Indian people as our friends in carrying on the common cause of anti-imperialism and independence.

The Korean people send warm greetings to the Indian people marking the 29th anniversary of their independence and sincerely wish them fresh success in their future struggle.

Chin Bang Hun

Friendship Visits

☆ A government civil aviation delegation of Socialist Ethiopia headed by Girmaw Ingidayehu, Director of the Civil Aviation of Socialist Ethiopia, arrived in Pyongyang on August 10.

☆ Ursinio Mesa Velazquez, Chief of the Overseas Broadcast Section of "Radio Havana Cuba" Short-wave Broadcasting Station of the Republic of Cuba, came to Pyongyang on August 10.

US Imperialists and Their Lackeys Must Immediately Stop Provocative Acts for a New War against DPRK

Government of Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and Foreign Ministry of Government of Democratic Cambodia Issue Statements

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam issued a statement on August 7, supporting the August 5 statement of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made public in connection with the fact that the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, their stooges, have completed war preparations and are going over to the adventurous scheme to directly ignite the blasting fuse of war.

The statement said: the US imperialists and the south Korean puppet clique are illegally introducing up-to-date weapons including nuclear weapons and other mass destruction weapons into south Korea, reinforcing US occupationist troops in south Korea and are ceaselessly staging acts of military provocation along the Military Demarcation Line, while conducting "south Korea-US joint military exercises".

The statement strongly denounced them for fabricating the fictitious "threat of southward invasion" to camouflage their criminal acts, carrying on false propaganda to mislead the world public opinion which is demanding the withdrawal of US troops from south Korea in accordance with the resolution adopted at the 30th Session of the UNGA, and pointed out:

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam firmly supports the just stand of the Government of the DPRK as stated in the recent statement and demands that US imperialism and its lackeys stop at once blackmail, calumny and war provocation moves against the DPRK, dissolve the "UN Command" in south Korea, withdraw immediately from south Korea US occupationist troops as well as their military equipment and mass extermination weapons including nuclear weapons and remove all US military bases from south Korea.

The Foreign Ministry of the Government of Democratic Cambodia made public a statement on August 9.

The statement said: **the Government and people of Democratic Cambodia fully support the statement of the Government of the DPRK dated August 5.** It vehemently exposed and denounced the criminal manoeuvres of US imperialism and its minions to start a new war in Korea.

The statement strongly demanded that the US imperialists stop immediately the war provocation manoeuvres and all acts of aggression against the DPRK, withdraw all their troops and all the military equipment including nuclear weapons from south Korea, dismantle their military bases in south Korea, disband the "UN Command" and replace the Korean Armistice Agreement with a peace agreement.

Pointing out that the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea should be achieved by the Korean people themselves, the statement continued:

The Government and people of Democratic Cambodia firmly support the three principles and five-point policy put forward by His Excellency President Kim Il Sung for the solution of the Korean question.

The Government and people of Democratic Cambodia reiterate that they will always stand firm on the side of the Government and people of the DPRK, comrades-in-arms and brothers.

Personages Involved in "Declaration for Democracy and National Salvation" in South Korea Demand Abolition of "Revitalized System" at Court

Personages involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" in south Korea at a murderous trial on August 11 resolutely fought against the fascist "revitalized system" of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, according to a foreign press report from Seoul.

At the 15th trial session held against those involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" by fascist hangmen at the puppet Seoul district criminal court, a defendant denounced the scoundreis' fascist act of asking for prison terms up to 10 years imprisonment and suspension of qualification and disclosed that the charges are groundless.

Saying that the "revitalized system" of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique is "very dangerous", he demanded its abolition.

Lashing at the tyranny of the fascist bandits, another defendant held that those involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" are all guiltless.

Noting that slavish submission is forced upon people under the present murderous "revitalized system" he strongly demanded that freedom of speech be guaranteed.

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Anti-US Handbills Scattered in Seoul

Handbills carrying a poem titled "Doom of US Imperialism" were scattered in the Sodaemun and Ryongsan districts, Seoul, according to a report of "Hyokmyong Chonson", organ of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification.

The handbill derided the sorry sight of US imperialism which started going downhill after sustaining an ignominious defeat in the past war of aggression in Korea and is bruised all over, hit hard in all parts of the world and incisively exposed the criminal manoeuvres of US imperialism to provoke another war of aggression in Korea to save itself from the doom.

Noting that if the US imperialists unleash a war again, only more miserable destruction will await them, the handbill said:

When the wrath pent up in the hearts of our masses of people for over 30 years erupts like a volcano, this land will turn into the last grave of the Yankee imperialists.

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